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In re application of:

BLACKBURN *et al.*

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the Detection of Analytes*

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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SMALL ENTITY

OR

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 =	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))		

RATE	FEE
	\$ _____
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL	

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RATE	FEE
	\$ _____
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X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL	

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	36	30	= 6
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	2	7	= 7
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ 9.00 =	54.00
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	145.00
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	194.00

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RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))			=
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

OR

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RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))			=
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))			=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X \$ _____ =	
X \$ _____ =	
+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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